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Kentucky Agricultural Development Board to Meet in Princeton

The July meeting of the KY Agricultural Development Board will be at the UK Research & Education Center in Princeton. The meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m. Central Time on Friday, July 19. Meetings are open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

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Listing categories are in parentheses. Abbreviations are as follows: AD&S =
Agricultural
Diversification & Sustainability; AW = Awards & Recognitions; E&T = Education &
Technology;
ENV = Environment & Natural Resources; LP = Loan Programs; MKT = Marketing &
Market Access;
R&D = Research & Development; RCD = Rural Community Development; VA = Value-
added; W&M =
Women & Minorities; Y&L = Youth & Leadership

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(1) American Legacy Foundation Offers Small Grants Program to Reduce Tobacco
Use (R&D, RCD, E&T)

Deadline: Rolling

Created as a result of the settlement of the multi-state lawsuit against
tobacco companies, the American Legacy Foundation (Legacy), is a nonprofit
organization that works to reduce youth tobacco use, reduce exposure to second-
hand smoke among all ages and populations, increase

successful quit rate among all ages and populations, and reduce
disparities in access to prevention and cessation services and in exposure to
secondhand smoke on behalf of disadvantaged populations.

The program awards renewable grants for up to \$100,000 for the first year
of funding. Grantees may apply for a second year of funding for up to 50
percent of the amount awarded in the first year. Grantees must provide a 1:1
cash match for second-year funding. A cash match is encouraged but not
required for the first year of funding.

Under the Small Innovative Grants Program, Legacy will consider projects
in most topic areas related to Legacy's goals. Special consideration will be
given to applications addressing: tobacco prevention, cessation, and education
for 18 to 24 year olds; second-hand smoke education and
policy; and projects targeting rural settings.

See the Legacy Web site for complete funding guidelines and to submit an
online application.

RFP Link:

<http://www.americanlegacy.org/section.asp?Page=14>

(2) Broadband Pilot Grant Program (E&T, RCD)

Deadline: November 5, 2002 (postmark)

The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) announces a pilot grant program for the provision of broadband transmission service in rural America. For fiscal year 2002, \$20 million in grants will be made available through a national competition to applicants proposing to provide broadband transmission service on a ``community-oriented connectivity'' basis. The ``community-oriented connectivity'' approach will target rural, economically-challenged communities and offer a means for the deployment of broadband transmission services to rural schools, libraries, education centers, health care providers, law enforcement agencies, public safety organizations as well as residents and businesses. This all-encompassing connectivity concept will give small, rural communities a chance to benefit from the advanced technologies that are necessary to foster economic growth, provide quality education and health care opportunities, and increase and enhance public safety efforts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roberta D. Purcell, Assistant Administrator, Telecommunications Program, Rural Utilities Service, STOP 1590, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-1590, Telephone (202) 720-9554, Facsimile (202) 720-0810.

RFP Link:
<http://frwebgate1.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/waisgate.cgi?WAISdocID=93614830165+2+0+0&WAISaction=retrieve>

(3) Communities of America Invited to Compete for Prize Honoring Access for Citizens with Disabilities (AW, RCD)

Deadline: December 31, 2002

The National Organization on Disability (NOD) promotes the full and equal participation and contribution of America's men, women and children with disabilities in all aspects of life. The organization has announced the beginning of its second annual \$25,000 Accessible America 2002 award competition and invites America's mayors and chief elected officials to enter their communities in the competition. Entrants will showcase how their citizens with disabilities are participating and contributing locally.

To learn more about the competition, visit NOD's website.

RFP Link:
http://www.nod.org/cont/dsp_cont_item_view.cfm?viewType=itemView&contentId=209

(4) Environmental Leadership Program Offers Fellowships (ENV, Y&L)

Deadline: October 1, 2002

The Environmental Leadership Program (ELP), a nonprofit center for leadership development within the environmental field, works to strengthen the environmental movement by addressing the leadership development and training needs of its emerging professionals.

The ELP Fellowship is a national program designed to build the leadership capacity of the environmental field's most promising emerging professionals

from the United States and U.S. territories. The three-year fellowship provides training, project support, and a peer network to 25 talented and diverse individuals each year from all sectors of the environmental field, including nonprofits, business, government, and higher education. Fellows receive a \$2,000 participation stipend; travel and accommodations for four fellowship retreats; access to funding for leadership-building projects; and national recognition through the program.

Applicants should be relatively new to the environmental field, with approximately three to ten years of professional experience or post-undergraduate academic studies. Applicants must be residents of the United States or U.S. territories. As part of its goal to promote diversity of race, ethnicity, gender, values, traditions, and issue expertise in the environmental field, ELP seeks individuals from across a broad spectrum of backgrounds and professional experience.

Visit the ELP Web site for complete program and application information.

RFP Link:
<http://www.elpnet.org/home.html>

(5) Help Us Help Foundation Offers Tech Grants to Schools and Youth Organizations (E&T, Y&L)

Deadline: February 28, 2003; August 31, 2003

With support from the Oracle Corporation, the nonprofit Help Us Help Foundation assists K-12 public schools and youth organizations in economically challenged communities to obtain information technology tools.

Grants of computer equipment and software are available to schools and youth organizations that provide educational programs in low-income communities. The program will donate new Internet appliances and laser printers as well as all the ancillary equipment necessary to connect the devices, including network hubs, cables, and electrical surge protectors.

For complete guidelines and online application forms, see the Help Us Help Foundation Web site.

RFP Link:
<http://www.helpushelp.org/>

(6) Horse Breeder Loan Program (LP, AD&S)

Deadline: September 30, 2002

This Notice announces the availability of funding to implement the Horse Breeder Loan Program as required by section 759 of the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002 (Act) (Pub. L. 107-76), which was enacted November 28, 2001. The Act directed the Secretary to implement a temporary low-interest loan program to

assist horse breeders suffering economic loss as a result of mare reproductive loss syndrome (MRLS).

ADDRESSES: General information and the application form FSA 410-1 may be obtained from the FSA Internet web site at: www.fsa.usda.gov or the USDA, Farm Service Agency listed in your local telephone directory.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cathy Quayle, Senior Loan Officer or Patrick Spalding, Senior Loan Officer, USDA/FSA/DAFLP/STOP 0522, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-0522; telephone (202) 720-1472; facsimile (202) 720-6797; electronic mail: Cathy-- Quayle@wdc.usda.gov or Patrick--Spalding@wdc.usda.gov.

RFP Link:
<http://frwebgate1.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/waisgate.cgi?WAISdocID=01162128580+63+0+0&WAISaction=retrieve>

(7) National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Grant Program to Mark Refuge Centennial (ENV)

Deadline: December 1, 2002

The year 2003 marks the centennial of the National Wildlife Refuge System. In recognition of the occasion, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and the National Wildlife Refuge System have announced a special request for proposals.

The Centennial Refuge Legacy awards seek to provide a series of competitive grants to projects that work to enhance the fish, wildlife, and plant habitats of the National Wildlife Refuge system country-wide, allowing the refuge to serve its wildlife and human constituents for the next 100 years; reach beyond the physical boundaries of the refuges themselves to engage people in the work of the refuge through partnerships, new collaborations, and alliances; and work to enhance compatible wildlife-dependent recreation to include hunting, fishing, wildlife photography and observation, and environmental education and interpretation.

The board of directors of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation has dedicated \$939,000 for the program. Individual awards should not exceed \$100,000. Applicants must be a federal, state, or regional conservation agency, or a 501(c)(3) organization. Successful proposals should seek to match the foundation award with a dollar-for-dollar match of funds and contributed goods and services.

Complete program information and application forms are available at the NFWF Web site.

RFP Link:
<http://www.nfwf.org/programs/centennial.htm>

(8) National Gardening Association Announces Youth Grants (Y&L)

Deadline: November 1, 2002

The National Gardening Association awards 400 Youth Garden Grants to schools, neighborhood groups, community centers, camps, clubs, treatment facilities, and intergenerational programs throughout the United States. Each grant consists of an assortment of quality tools, seeds, and garden products. To be eligible, groups must plan to garden in 2003 with at least 15 children (3-18 yrs old). Selection of winners will be based on demonstration of a child-centered plan that emphasizes children directly learning and working in an outdoor garden. Selection criteria include leadership, need, sustainability, community support, innovation and educational, environmental and/or social programming.

RFP Link:

<http://www.kidsgardening.com/grants.asp>

(9) National Sheep Industry Improvement Center; Inviting Grant Proposals for the Sheep and Goat Industry Grant Initiative (AD&S, E&T, MKT, VA)

Deadline: October 15, 2002

The National Sheep Industry Improvement Center (NSIIC) announces the availability of approximately \$200,000 in competitive grants for product or business development, producer information or education, marketing and promotion for sheep or goats or their products, genetic retention or animal health. Funds have been made available by the Board of Directors of the National Sheep Industry Improvement Center (NSIIC) to be awarded in Fiscal Year (FY) 2003 with projects completed by the end of FY 2004. The intent is to fund a variety of proposals that will benefit the U.S. sheep and goat industries.

ADDRESSES: Completed proposals and other required materials should be submitted to Jay B. Wilson, Executive Director, National Sheep Industry Improvement Center, U.S. Department of Agriculture, PO Box 23483, Washington, DC 20026-3483 if using the US Postal Service or Room 2117, South Agriculture Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250 if using other carriers. Telephone (202) 690-0632 or (207) 236-6567.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jay B. Wilson, Executive Director, National Sheep Industry Improvement Center, U.S. Department of Agriculture, PO Box 23483, Washington, DC 20026-3483 if using the US Postal Service or Room 2117, South Agriculture Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250 if using other carriers. Telephone (202) 690-0632 or (207) 236-6567.

RFP Link:

http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2002_register&docid=02-20402-filed

(10) Non-Smoking Teens Eligible for \$10,000 Scholarships (AW, E&T, Y&L)

Deadline: November 15, 2002

TeenH.I.P (Helping Influence People), a program sponsored by Lorillard Tobacco Company's Youth Smoking Prevention Program, is designed to reward teens who choose not to smoke with scholarships.

Now in its third year, the TeenH.I.P. Awards program is offering ten scholarships worth \$10,000 each to teens (ages 13 to 18) who excel academically, are active in their school and community, exhibit leadership capabilities, and who do not smoke.

Official rules, entry criteria, and further information on other TeenH.I.P. programs are available at the program's Web site. Applications can be submitted online at the site.

RFP Link:
<http://www.buttoutnow.com>

(11) Philip Morris Environmental Grants (ENV, AD&S)

Deadline: September 30 annually

Philip Morris began supporting the effort to protect the environment in 1956, with a grant to help create Keep America Beautiful. Today, the role Philip Morris has taken in the area of environmental grant making is underscored by our direct connection to agriculture. All Philip Morris products are agriculturally based, making us one of the largest users of agricultural products in the United States. The themes of our program address the manner in which we utilize our lands and our natural resources and the priority we place on their well-being for future generations.

Our guidelines are focused primarily on two key areas:

The restoration, preservation and conservation of local watersheds and waterways, particularly groundwater, surface water and drinking water.

The preservation of farmlands and agricultural resources, and the development of environmentally sound farming practices.

Within these two focuses, special attention is given to community programs that demonstrate successful restoration techniques and/or foster partnerships, educate citizens, and provide sound information on resource management. We look for fresh approaches to existing problems--approaches that may serve as models and contribute to society's understanding of environmental issues.

For more information on applying for a Philip Morris Environmental Grant visit

http://www.philipmorris.com/philanthropy/environment/environment_grant_guide.asp#EnvironmentGrantGuidelines.

(12) Southern Region Sustainable Agriculture Research & Education (SARE) Program Announces Graduate Student Award in Sustainable Agriculture (R&D, AD&S)

Deadline: January 8, 2003

The Southern Region SARE is requesting proposals for Graduate Student research projects that address issues of sustainable agriculture of current and potential importance to the Southern Region and the nation. The Southern SARE Graduate Student Awards in Sustainable Agriculture grants a one-time project maximum of \$10,000. Projects may last up to three years. A candidate may receive only one Southern SARE Graduate Student Award during her or his graduate student career.

RFP and Proposal Guidelines:

<http://www.griffin.peachnet.edu/sare/2003calls/2003GSCF.PDF>

(13) Watershed Initiative: Call for Nominations (ENV)

Deadline: November 21, 2002 (Nomination must be made by Governor)

EPA is launching a new grant program to encourage the protection and restoration of our country's water bodies through the use of watershed approaches. The President's fiscal year (FY) 2003 budget, which is now before Congress, incorporates a request for \$21 million for this Watershed Initiative. Subject to the availability of appropriations for this purpose, EPA plans to select through a competitive process up to 20 watersheds throughout the country for grants to support promising watershed-based approaches to clean water. This notice sets forth the process that will be used for selecting the watersheds and serves as the call for nominations from Governors and Tribal Leaders.

ADDRESSES: Nomination packages must be submitted both by mail or courier and electronically. Please follow the detailed instructions provided in section V of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carol Peterson, telephone: 202-566-1304; e-mail: peterson.carol@epa.gov or one of the regional contacts listed in section VI of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section below. Additional information and any updated guidance will be posted on the Watershed Initiative's website at <http://www.epa.gov/owow/watershed/initiative>.

RFP Link:

http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2002_register&docid=02-21196-filed

(14) Women Unite to Be Smoke Free Small Grants Program (W&M, RCD)

Deadline: Rolling through June 2003

The American Legacy Foundation (Legacy), a nonprofit organization established as part of the settlement of a state attorneys general lawsuit against tobacco companies, works to reduce tobacco use and its harmful effects.

As part of this effort, the foundation has announced the Circle of Friends-Women Unite to Be Smoke Free small grants program. Under this program, Legacy will issue one-year, non-renewable grants for up to \$50,000. Grants must be used to advance efforts to reduce and prevent the toll tobacco takes on women in the United States. Legacy will award grants totaling \$1 million under this program on a rolling basis through June 2003.

For complete program guidelines and application procedures, see the Legacy website.

RFP Link:

<http://www.americanlegacy.org/section.asp?Page=14>

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Receipt of this bulletin does not imply eligibility for any of the above awards. Please, review all eligibility requirements for grants in which you are interested.

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For up-to-date information on Agricultural Development Board funding decisions, visit the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy web site.

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